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C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAMA 1064

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, XF
SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER

1. FOREIGN MINISTER TOLD ME MAY 16 THAT SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER HAD VISITED BAHRAIN MAY 15 TO BRIEF AMIR ON PRESIDENT ASSAD'S MEETINGS IN GENEVA WITH PRESIDENT CARTER. FOREIGN MINISTER SAID KHADDAM'S MESSAGE WAS VERY POSITIVE: ASSAD WAS VERY FAVORABLY IMPRESSED BY PRESIDENT CARTER AND LEFT GENEVA FEELING HE HAD HAD CHANCE TO GIVE AN ATTENTIVE AND PATIENT AMERICAN PRESIDENT WHAT ASSAD FELT WAS FULLEST EVER EXPOSURE TO ARAB POINTS OF VIEW.

2. FONMIN SAID KHADDAM MADE MAJOR POINT OF TELLING AMIR THAT ASSAD HAD GIVEN PRESIDENT LENGTHY HISTORY OF ZIONISM
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AS ARABS HAVE SEEN IT SINCE FIRST ZIONIST CONGRESS AT END OF LAST CENTURY, AND THAT PRESIDENT CARTER HAD LISTENED PATIENTLY. KHADDAM TOLD AMIR THAT ASSAD WAS DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF CHANCE TO GIVE HIS VIEWS AT SUCH LENGTH, AND FELT GREATLY "RELIEVED" AT HAVING LAID HIS CASE AT ITS FULLEST BEFORE AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT.

3. FONMIN SAID KHADDAM TOLD BAHRAINIS THAT ASSAD MADE POINT OF TELLING PRESIDENT CARTER THAT NOT ONLY MUST PALESTINIAN ENTITY BE ESTABLISHED BUT RIGHTS OF 1948 REFUGEES TO EITHER REPATRIATION OR COMPENSATION MUST BE RESPECTED. KHADDAM LEFT IMPRESSION WITH BAHRAINIS THAT ON QUESTIONS OF BORDERS, DEMILITARIZATION AND ITS SUPERVISION, AND OUTSIDE GUARANTEES, SYRIAN AND USG VIEWS NOT VERY DIFFERENT. FOREIGN MINISTER REMARKED THAT MY BRIEFING FOR HIM ON GENEVA MEETING HAD BEEN VERY USEFUL TO HIM IN HIS TALKS WITH KHADDAM, AND IN BRIEFING AAMIR. HE SAID THERE WAS LITTLE IF ANY SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT HE HEARD FROM KHADDAM AND WHAT HE HAD HEARD FROM ME.
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